AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-referenced application.

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently amended) An on-line interactive computer processing system that allows: (1) real-time access to securities market data; and (2) exchange of securities market data between users, comprising:

    (A)   storage means for collecting from multiple sources, storing, and updating securities market data in real-time;

    (B)   controller means for accessing and updating data stored in said storage means in real-time, wherein said controller means allows:

        (a)   users access to data stored in said storage means; and

    (C)   data terminal means coupled to said controller means for linking said controller means to external data sources or users, for receiving or transmitting data to said storage means, wherein users may access or query said storage means for securities market data, and wherein ~~users~~ a user may review simultaneously securities market data for a single security or bond obtained from said query that originate from a plurality of the multiple sources.

2.   (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein securities market data is transmitted to said storage means and is updated automatically in real-time.

3.   (Cancelled)

4.   (Cancelled)

5.   (Previously amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein users may review the data obtained from said query on a display screen.

6.   (Previously amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein the data obtained from said query is collected in real-time.

7.   (Previously amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein the data obtained from said query is updated automatically in real-time.

8.   (Currently amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein the queried securities market data comprises data selected from the group consisting of available pricing, yield, spread, research, text, date, time, source, bond, amount of bid and offer, yield to worst, and spread to worst ~~and other types of security market data~~.

9.   (Previously amended) A system according to claim 1, wherein a user may forward the securities market data of said query to other users in real-time.

10.   (Original) A system according to claim 1, wherein a user may query said storage means.

11.   (Currently amended) A system according to claim 10, wherein one or more items queried by a user are selected from the group consisting of Issue, Collateral Type, Last Price, Last YTW, Last STW, Last Source, SIC Code, SIC Description, Amount Issued (M), Amount Outstanding (M), Announcement Date, First Settlement Date, Months Since Issuance, interest Accrue Date, First Coupon Date, Maturity Date, Months to Maturity, Moody's Rating, S&P Rating, DCR Rating, Fitch, Price at Issuance, Yield at Issuance, Spread at Issuance, Underwriter, Issuer, 144A/Public, Coupon, Coupon Frequency, Coupon Type, Callable, Market Issued, Exchange, Nominal Value, Currency, Tax Status, Day/Count, Refunding Date, Current Call Date, Current Call Price, Next Call Date, Next Call Price, Put Feature, and Cusip ~~and other types of securities market data~~.

12.   (Original) A system according to claim 10, wherein users may sort the data obtained from said query in an ascending or descending manner.

13.   (Currently amended) A system according to claim 10, wherein ~~users~~ a user may review simultaneously the data obtained from said query.

14.   (Original) A system according to claim 10, wherein users may review the data obtained from said query on a display screen.

15.   (Original) A system according to claim 10, wherein the data obtained from said query is collected in real-time.

16.   (Original) A system according to claim 10, wherein the data obtained from said query is updated automatically in real-time.

17.   (Currently amended) An on-line interactive computer processing system for creating and maintaining investment portfolios, wherein users may create, edit or update an investment portfolio without having to enter issue names, coupons, or maturities comprising;

    (A).   storage means for collecting from multiple sources, storing, and updating securities market data, issue names, coupons or maturities data for publicly traded securities, high yield bonds, or other securities in real-time;

    (B)   controller means for accessing and retrieving data stored in said storage means in real-time, wherein said controller means allows:

        (a)   users to access to said storage means using a user-name; and

    (C)   data terminal means coupled to said controller means for linking said controller means to external data sources or users for retrieving or transmitting data to said storage means, wherein users may access or query said storage means for securities market data, and wherein ~~users~~ a user may review simultaneously securities market data for a single security or bond obtained from said query that originate from a plurality of the multiple sources.

18.   (Original) A system according to claim 17, wherein said storage means automatically collects and updates issue names, coupons or maturities concerning a publicly traded security, high yield bond, or other security.

19.   (Original) A system according to claim 17, wherein users may query said storage means and obtain securities market data for securities contained in their investment portfolio.

20.   (Original) A system according to claim 19, wherein users may sort the data obtained from said query in an ascending or descending manner.

21.   (Cancelled)

22.   (Original) A system according to claim 19, wherein users may review the data obtained from said query on a display screen.

23.   (Original) A system according to claim 19, wherein the data obtained from said query is collected in real-time.

24.   (Original) A system according to claim 19, wherein the data obtained from said query is updated automatically in real-time.

25.   (Currently amended) An on-line interactive computer processing system that allows: (1) access to securities market data; and (2) exchange of securities market data between users, comprising:

(A)   storage means for collecting from multiple sources, storing, and updating securities market data;

(B)   controller means for accessing and updating data stored in said storage means, wherein said controller means allows:

(a)   users access to data stored in said storage means; and

(C)   data terminal means coupled to said controller means for linking said controller means to external data sources or users, for receiving or transmitting data to said storage means, wherein ~~users~~ a user may access or query said storage means for securities market data, and wherein users may review simultaneously securities market data for a single security or bond obtained from said query that originate from a plurality of the multiple sources.

26. (Currently amended) An on-line interactive computer processing system for creating and maintaining investment portfolios, wherein users may create, edit or update an investment portfolio without having to enter issue names, coupons, or maturities comprising;

(A). storage means for collecting from multiple sources, storing, and updating securities market data, issue names, coupons or maturities data for publicly traded securities, high yield bonds, or other securities;

(B) controller means for accessing and retrieving data stored in said storage means, wherein said controller means allows:

(a) users to access to said storage means using a user-name; and

(C) data terminal means coupled to said controller means for linking said controller means to external data sources or users for retrieving or transmitting data to said storage means, wherein users may access or query said storage means for securities market data, and wherein ~~users~~ a user may review simultaneously securities market data for a single security or bond obtained from said query that originate from a plurality of the multiple sources.